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AMENDMENT A

In response to the Office Action dated 12/1/2003, the Applicants have timely enclosed herein: 11 pages of amendments and remarks, and 1 page Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17 in the amount of \$ 36.00 to cover fee for 2 claims in excess of 20 total claims.

Amendments to the Specification are reflected in the corresponding section, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the corresponding section, which begins on page 4 of this paper, and include a complete claim listing.

Remarks begin on page <u>7</u> of this paper.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 500323 AUTHORIZATION - All necessary fees relating to the attached submittal, if any, are intended to be included. However, the Office is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees relating to the attached submittal to deposit account 500323, registered to Vernon C. Maine P.L.L.C., dba Maine & Asmus, contact telephone no. 603-886-6100.